

SurveyIntro

Throughout this survey, you will be asked a variety of questions relating to wildfire management. We recognize wildfire management is a complex process and decisions are often context-specific based on many interdependent factors. By necessity, the scenarios you will encounter in this survey will be simplified versions of the choices fire management professionals make.

Please respond to each question to the best of your ability by selecting the response that most closely aligns with your expected decision in each situation.

It is best if you complete the survey in one setting. That being said, if you think you may have to complete it in multiple sessions (coming back to it over the course of a day or days), PLEASE DO NOT EXIT THIS BROWSER. If the browser accidentally closes, and/or an error occurs where you can't pick up where you let off, please contact the research team at FireSurvey@osu.edu

In this next section, we will ask you questions relating to tactical decisions and the factors that inform them. We will first introduce a wildfire event.

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ScenarioIntroduce

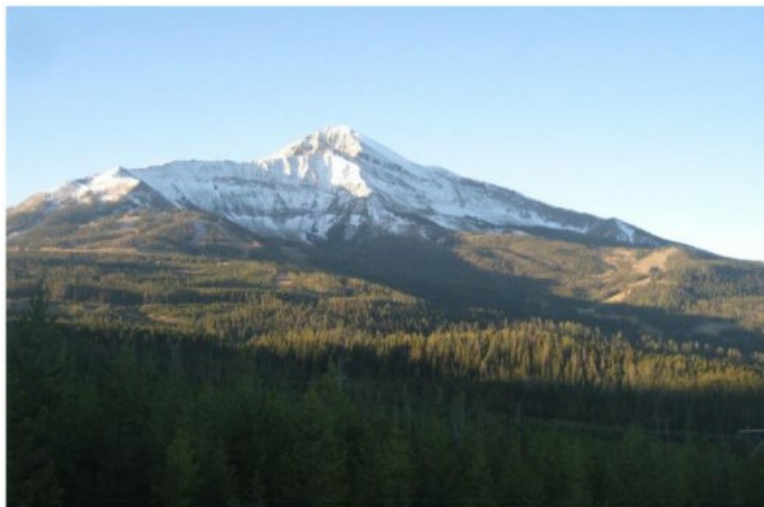
Imagine the following event:

A lightning-ignited fire is burning in **mixed conifer** and has escaped initial attack and overwhelmed initial resources. The fire is currently **150 acres** and is being managed as a **Type 3 event** and **you are the most qualified individual** (for example, ICT3 or DIVS) arriving on the incident. **It is an average fire season in the area where the fire is occurring**, and you may or may not get more resources if you request them. Pictures of the general area have been provided below. You have requested short-term fire behavior analysis and a spot weather forecast. **You are 48 hours into the event**, it is early morning, the nearest primary care center is less than an hour away, and there have been no "incidents within the incident".

Your local **planning documents** allow you to **manage fire**. The **public** has mixed feelings; while **some dislike fire** and favor suppression, **others understand the ecological role of fire** and are more tolerant of non-suppression tactics. **The nearest community is ten miles away** from where the fire started.

The fire is burning in **moderate terrain with snag potential**. While there are areas to directly engage with an anchor point, weak trees may be present. The area of indirect attack features roads about a mile away and ridges between 0.5 – 1.5 miles away from the fire perimeter.

Pictures of the general area:



ScenarioConfidence

Imagine you had to decide whether you would directly or indirectly attack this fire.

In your opinion, based on the limited information provided, which strategy is preferable?

ScenarioConfidence=1

☐

Direct attack is **much more preferable** than indirect attack

ScenarioConfidence=2

☐

Direct attack is **somewhat more preferable** than indirect attack

ScenarioConfidence=3

☐

Neither direct nor indirect attack is preferable

ScenarioConfidence=4

☐

Indirect attack is **somewhat more preferable** than direct attack

ScenarioConfidence=5

☐

Indirect attack is **much more preferable** than direct attack

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LocalTeamDA:

For the first 48 hours of the fire event, the local team's strategy has been to **directly attack** the fire.

Based on the information provided about the fire, to what extent do you agree with the decision to **directly attack** during the first 48 hours?

LocalTeamDA=1

☐

Strongly disagree

LocalTeamDA=2

☐

Somewhat disagree

LocalTeamDA=3

☐

Neither agree nor disagree

LocalTeamDA=4

☐

Somewhat agree

LocalTeamDA=5

☐

Strongly agree

DAWhy:

Please briefly explain your answer.

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TransitiontoCEDA1

While the information we previously provided about the fire event will remain unchanged (i.e., the fire is 150 acres in mixed conifer, being managed as a Type 3 event, etc.), we will now provide you with additional information that will vary across multiple sets of scenarios.

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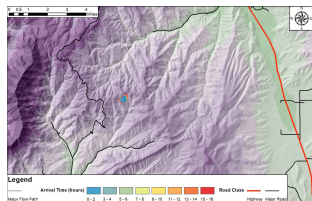
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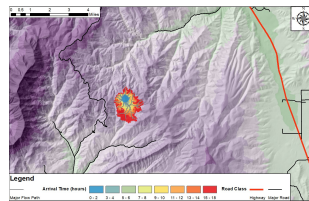
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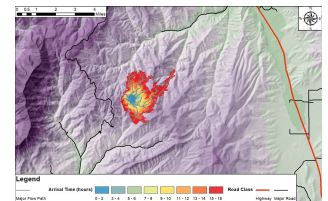
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Forecasted Wind

Very windy

Slightly windy

Slightly windy

Forecasted Humidity

Humid

Dry

Moderate

Forecasted Precipitation

High probability of wetting rain

No rain forecasted

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

Early

Early

Late

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending downwards toward 60%

Stable around 80%

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random1

Select

cbcDA_Random1

Select

cbcDA_Random1

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random1

Select

cbcDA_Random2



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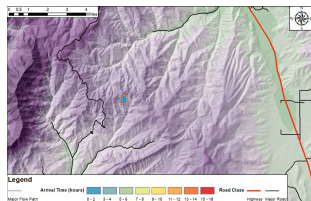
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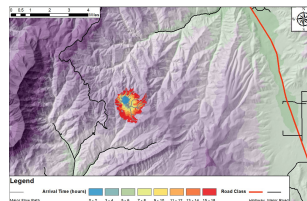
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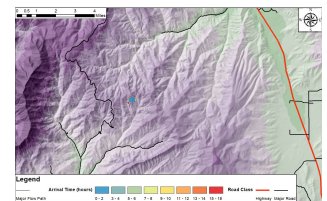
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Forecasted Wind

Very windy

Windy

Slightly windy

Forecasted Humidity

Dry

Humid

Humid

Forecasted Precipitation

High probability of wetting rain

No rain forecasted

High probability of wetting rain

Time in fire season

Late

Middle

Middle

Energy release component (ERC)

Stable around 80%

Trending upwards toward 90%

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random2

Select

cbcDA_Random2

Select

cbcDA_Random2


Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random2

Select

cbcDA_Random3

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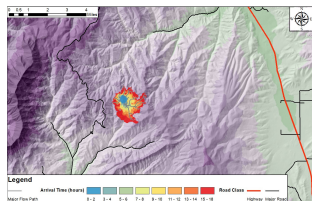
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Forecasted Wind

Windy

Forecasted Humidity

Moderate

Forecasted Precipitation

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

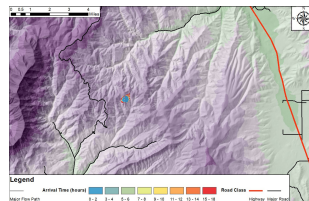
Early

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random3

Select



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Very windy

Moderate

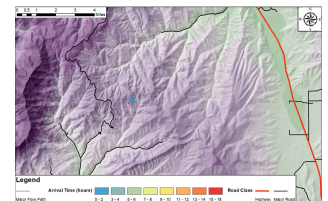
High probability of wetting rain

Late

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random3

Select



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Windy

Dry

High probability of wetting rain

Middle

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random3

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random3

Select

cbcDA_Random4



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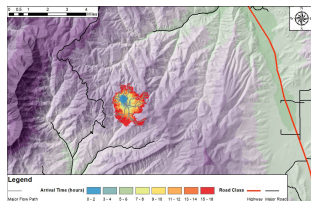
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Forecasted Wind

Very windy

Forecasted Humidity

Dry

Forecasted Precipitation

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

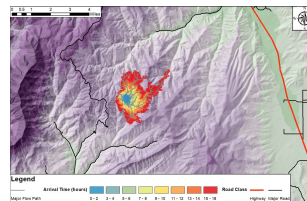
Middle

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random4

Select



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Slightly windy

Moderate

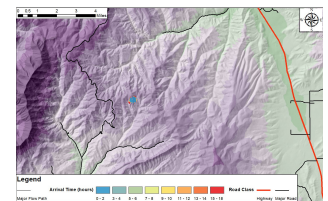
No rain forecasted

Early

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random4

Select



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Slightly windy

Humid

High probability of wetting rain

Late

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random4

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random4

Select

cbcDA_Random5



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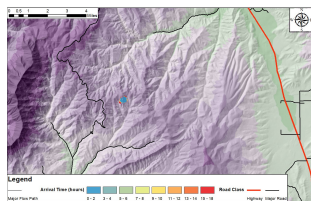
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Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

Forecasted Humidity

Humid

Forecasted Precipitation

High probability of wetting rain

Time in fire season

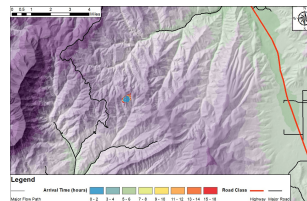
Early

Energy release component (ERC)

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random5

Select



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Very windy

Moderate

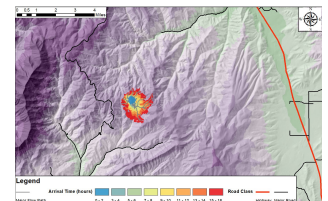
High probability of wetting rain

Late

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random5

Select



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Windy

Humid

No rain forecasted

Middle

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random5


Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random5

Select

cbcDA_Random6

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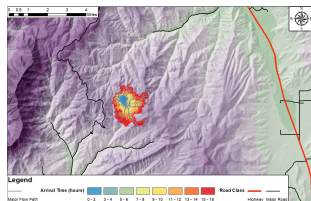
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Forecasted Wind

Windy

Forecasted Humidity

Dry

Forecasted Precipitation

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

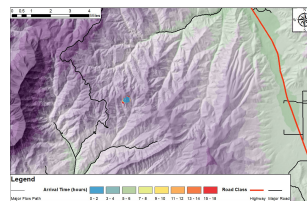
Late

Energy release component (ERC)

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random6

Select



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Slightly windy

Dry

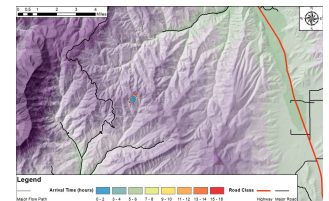
High probability of wetting rain

Early

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random6

Select



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Very windy

Moderate

High probability of wetting rain

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random6

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random6

Select

cbcDA_Random7



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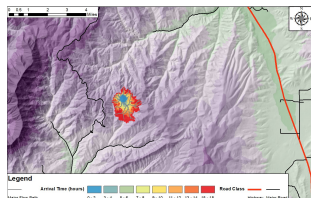
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Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

Forecasted Humidity

Dry

Forecasted Precipitation

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

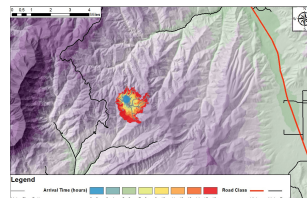
Early

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random7

Select



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Windy

Moderate

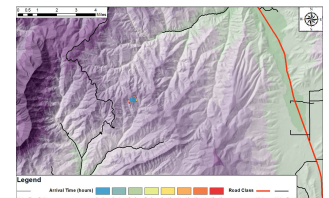
No rain forecasted

Middle

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random7

Select



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Windy

Dry

High probability of wetting rain

Late

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random7


Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random7

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cbcDA_Random8

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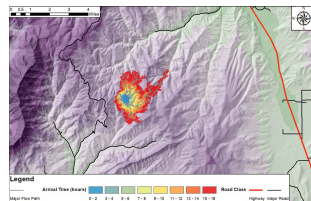
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Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

Forecasted Humidity

Moderate

Forecasted Precipitation

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

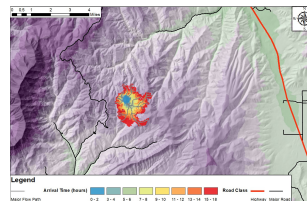
Late

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random8

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Windy

Dry

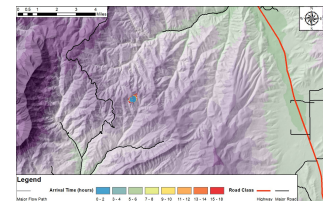
No rain forecasted

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcDA_Random8

Select



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Very windy

Humid

High probability of wetting rain

Early

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcDA_Random8

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random8

Select

cbcDA_Random9



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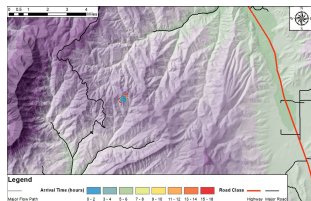
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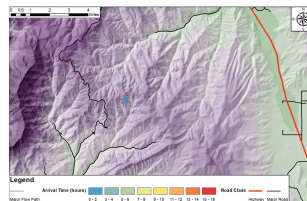
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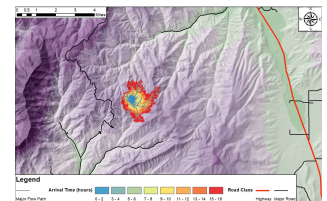
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Forecasted Wind

Very windy

Windy

Very windy

Forecasted Humidity

Dry

Humid

Moderate

Forecasted Precipitation

High probability of wetting rain

High probability of wetting rain

No rain forecasted

Time in fire season

Middle

Middle

Late

Energy release component (ERC)

Stable around 80%

Trending downwards toward 60%

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcDA_Random9

Select

cbcDA_Random9

Select

cbcDA_Random9

Select

NONE: I would only **directly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcDA_Random9

Select

LocalTeamIA

For the first 48 hours of the fire event, the local team's strategy has been to **indirectly attack** the fire.

Based on the information provided about the fire, to what extent do you agree with the decision to **indirectly attack** during the first 48 hours?

LocalTeamIA=1

☐

Strongly disagree

LocalTeamIA=2

☐

Somewhat disagree

LocalTeamIA=3

☐

Neither agree nor disagree

LocalTeamIA=4

☐

Somewhat agree

LocalTeamIA=5

☐

Strongly agree

IAWhy

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cbcIA_Random1



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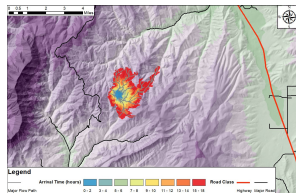
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**Forecasted
Precipitation**

No rain forecasted

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Moderate

Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

**Time in fire
season**

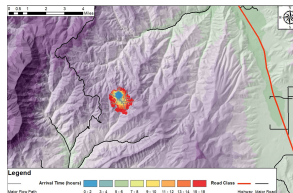
Early

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random1

Select



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No rain forecasted

Humid

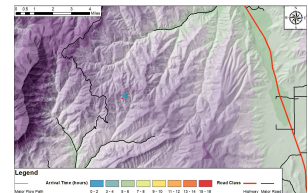
Slightly windy

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random1

Select



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High probability of wetting rain

Dry

Windy

Late

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcIA_Random1

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random1

Select

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cbcIA_Random2



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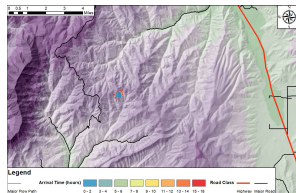
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**Forecasted
Precipitation**

High probability of wetting
rain

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Humid

Forecasted Wind

Very windy

**Time in fire
season**

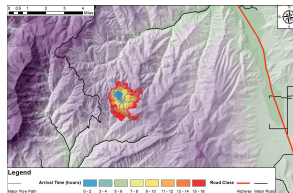
Middle

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random2

Select



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No rain forecasted

Dry

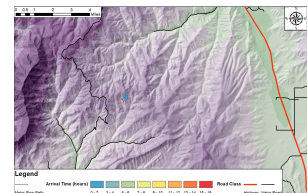
Very windy

Early

Trending downwards
toward 60%

cbcIA_Random2

Select



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High probability of wetting
rain

Moderate

Slightly windy

Late

Trending downwards
toward 60%

cbcIA_Random2

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random2

Select

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cbcIA_Random3



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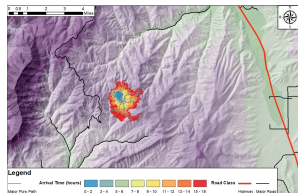
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**Forecasted
Precipitation**

No rain forecasted

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Dry

Forecasted Wind

Windy

**Time in fire
season**

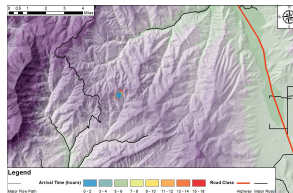
Late

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random3

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High probability of wetting rain

Moderate

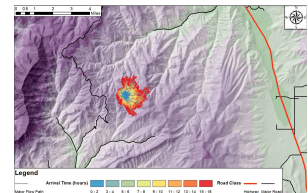
Very windy

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random3

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No rain forecasted

Humid

Very windy

Middle

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcIA_Random3

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random3

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cbcIA_Random4



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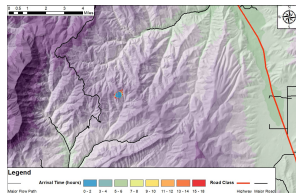
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Forecasted Precipitation

High probability of wetting rain

Forecasted Humidity

Humid

Forecasted Wind

Very windy

Time in fire season

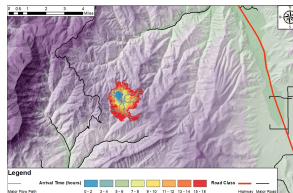
Early

Energy release component (ERC)

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random4

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No rain forecasted

Dry

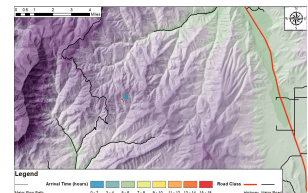
Windy

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random4

Select



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High probability of wetting rain

Dry

Slightly windy

Late

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random4

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random4

Select

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cbcIA_Random5



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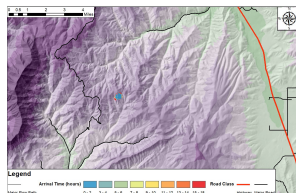
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Precipitation**

High probability of wetting rain

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Humid

Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

**Time in fire
season**

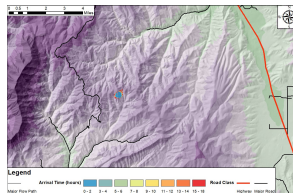
Late

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random5

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High probability of wetting rain

Humid

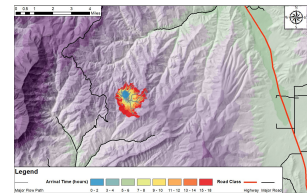
Very windy

Early

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcIA_Random5

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No rain forecasted

Moderate

Windy

Middle

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random5

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random5

Select

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cbcIA_Random6



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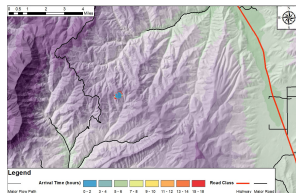
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High probability of wetting rain

Forecasted Humidity

Moderate

Forecasted Wind

Windy

Time in fire season

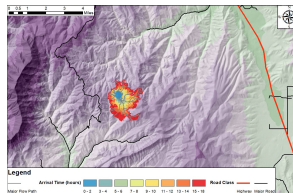
Early

Energy release component (ERC)

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random6

Select



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No rain forecasted

Dry

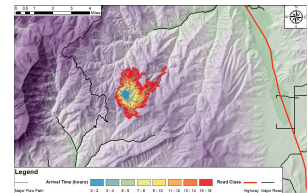
Very windy

Early

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random6

Select



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No rain forecasted

Moderate

Slightly windy

Late

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcIA_Random6

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random6

Select

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cbcIA_Random7



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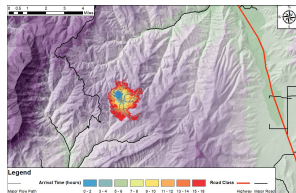
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Precipitation**

No rain forecasted

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Dry

Forecasted Wind

Very windy

**Time in fire
season**

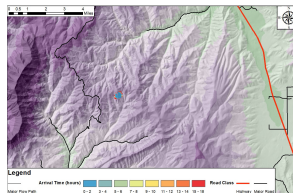
Early

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending downwards
toward 60%

cbcIA_Random7

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High probability of wetting
rain

Moderate

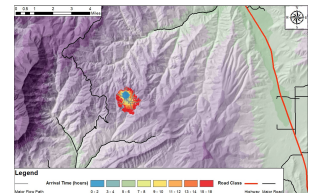
Windy

Late

Trending upwards toward
90%

cbcIA_Random7

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No rain forecasted

Humid

Slightly windy

Middle

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random7

Select

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cbcIA_Random7

Select

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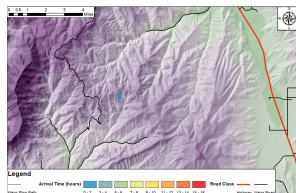
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Precipitation**

High probability of wetting rain

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Humid

Forecasted Wind

Slightly windy

**Time in fire
season**

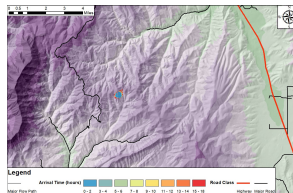
Middle

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending upwards toward 90%

cbcIA_Random8

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High probability of wetting rain

Dry

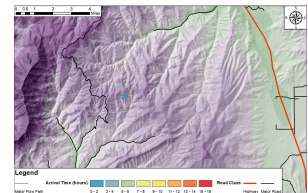
Very windy

Late

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random8

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High probability of wetting rain

Humid

Windy

Early

Trending downwards toward 60%

cbcIA_Random8

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random8

Select

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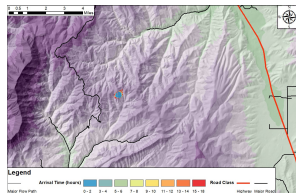
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**Forecasted
Precipitation**

High probability of wetting
rain

**Forecasted
Humidity**

Moderate

Forecasted Wind

Very windy

**Time in fire
season**

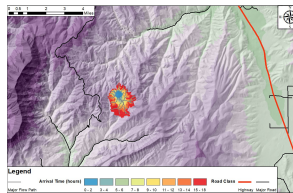
Early

**Energy release
component
(ERC)**

Trending upwards toward
90%

cbcIA_Random9

Select



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No rain forecasted

Dry

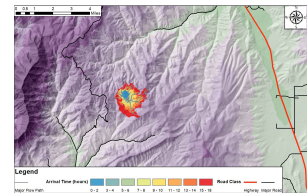
Slightly windy

Middle

Trending downwards
toward 60%

cbcIA_Random9

Select



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No rain forecasted

Moderate

Windy

Late

Stable around 80%

cbcIA_Random9

Select

NONE: I would only **indirectly attack ALL OF** these fires

cbcIA_Random9

Select

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ImportantFactors

Thinking broadly about the options you were presented with, what were the main factors that weighed into your decisions? Please describe them briefly.

WhereFire1

Fire managers often draw on previous experience at specific locations when making decisions. When thinking about the wildfire event described to you, if you compared it to another fire or imagined the fire was in a particular location, please describe where that was. Otherwise, please answer "none".

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ForecastIntro

Thank you for completing the choice experiment. We estimate the remainder of the survey should take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

Please answer the following questions as it relates to your opinions about **3-day forecasts** for each weather factor.

ForecastConfidenceGen1

In your opinion, how reliable are **weather forecasts overall**? Would you say they are accurate...

- ☐ ForecastConfidenceGen1=1 0 - 24% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceGen1=2 25 - 50% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceGen1=3 51 - 75% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceGen1=4 76 - 100% of the time

ForecastConfidenceWin1

In your opinion, how reliable are **wind forecasts**? Would you say they are accurate...

- ☐ ForecastConfidenceWin1=1 0 - 24% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceWin1=2 25 - 50% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceWin1=3 51 - 75% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidenceWin1=4 76 - 100% of the time

ForecastConfidencePre1

In your opinion, how reliable are **precipitation forecasts**? Would you say they are accurate...

- ☐ ForecastConfidencePre1=1 0 - 24% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidencePre1=2 25 - 50% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidencePre1=3 51 - 75% of the time
- ☐ ForecastConfidencePre1=4 76 - 100% of the time

ForecastConfidenceHum1

In your opinion, how reliable are **humidity forecasts**? Would you say they are accurate...

ForecastConfidenceHum1=1

☐

0 - 24% of the time

ForecastConfidenceHum1=2

☐

25 - 50% of the time

ForecastConfidenceHum1=3

☐

51 - 75% of the time

ForecastConfidenceHum1=4

☐

76 - 100% of the time

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TacticPressure1

When thinking about the culture of the Forest Service, do you believe this culture encourages managers and firefighters to directly or indirectly attack fires?

☐ TacticPressure1=1

Strongly encourages **direct** attack

☐ TacticPressure1=2

Moderately encourages **direct** attack

☐ TacticPressure1=3

Somewhat encourages **direct** attack

☐ TacticPressure1=4

Does not encourage a specific strategy

☐ TacticPressure1=5

Somewhat encourages **indirect** attack

☐ TacticPressure1=6

Moderately encourages **indirect** attack

☐ TacticPressure1=7

Strongly encourages **indirect** attack

TacticRiskiness1

Consider the relative riskiness of direct attack and indirect attack for firefighter safety. Some people believe directly attacking a fire early is less risky, because while direct attack creates greater safety concerns for firefighters, the overall number exposed is lower. Others believe indirectly attacking a fire is less risky, because while indirect attack creates fewer safety concerns, the overall number exposed is greater.

In your opinion, generally speaking, which strategy is **more risky for firefighter safety**?

☐ TacticRiskiness1=1

Directly attacking is much riskier than indirectly attacking

☐ TacticRiskiness1=2

Directly attacking is somewhat riskier than indirectly attacking

☐ TacticRiskiness1=3

Direct attack and indirect attack are **equally risky**

☐ TacticRiskiness1=4

Indirectly attacking is somewhat riskier than directly attacking

☐ TacticRiskiness1=5

Indirectly attacking is much riskier than directly attacking

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SortMostImportant:

Wildfire management decisions are obviously very complex and prone to influence from many different factors both within your control and outside your control. Assuming a wildfire has occurred, what are the **first 3 things you think about** when trying to decide whether to directly or indirectly attack the fire?

Please choose the **first 3 important pieces of information** that you consider when deciding to directly or indirectly attack a fire.

SortMostImportant_4 ☐ Availability of tactical resources

SortMostImportant_3 ☐ Local public and political climate

SortMostImportant_10 ☐ Dynamics between incident command and the local unit

SortMostImportant_5 ☐ Time in season (seasonality)

SortMostImportant_9 ☐ Threats to firefighter safety

SortMostImportant_6 ☐ Presence of WUI (e.g., people, homes, and structures)

SortMostImportant_2 ☐ Requirements of federal environmental policy (e.g., ESA, NEPA, etc.)

SortMostImportant_8 ☐ Short-term (3-day) weather forecasts

SortMostImportant_7 ☐ Current weather conditions

SortMostImportant_11 ☐ Ability to coordinate across managing agencies (e.g., federal, state)

SortMostImportant_1 ☐ Federal wildland fire management guidance (e.g., Cohesive Strategy, 2009 Implementation Guidance, etc.)

SortMostImportant_12 ☐ SortMostImportant_12_other Other

MostImportantWhy:

Please briefly explain why you selected these 3 factors.

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IntroModelUse

We are now going to ask you a series of questions about how you use wildfire decision support tools.

Wildfire decision support tools such as Fire Area Simulator (FARSITE), Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS), Fire Spread Probability (FSPRO), National Fire Danger Rating System (NFDRS) and others may be used in multiple ways on a fire event. For example, these tools may be used to project future conditions, assess recent fire growth, and/or document previous decisions.

Consider your experiences on wildfire events where **information from wildfire decision support tools was available to you.**

ModelUse1

In past experiences how often have you used information from wildfire decision support tools **to project future conditions so that you could update strategies and tactics?**

- ☐ ModelUse1=1 1 Never
- ☐ ModelUse1=2 2 Rarely
- ☐ ModelUse1=3 3 Sometimes
- ☐ ModelUse1=4 4 About half the time
- ☐ ModelUse1=5 5 Often
- ☐ ModelUse1=6 6 Almost always
- ☐ ModelUse1=7 7 Always

ModelUse2

In past experiences how often have you used information from wildfire decision support tools **to assess recent fire growth and tactic effectiveness to date?**

- ☐ ModelUse2=1 1 Never
- ☐ ModelUse2=2 2 Rarely
- ☐ ModelUse2=3 3 Sometimes
- ☐ ModelUse2=4 4 About half the time
- ☐ ModelUse2=5 5 Often

ModelUse2=6

☐

6 Almost always

ModelUse2=7

☐

7 Always

ModelUse3

In past experiences how often have you used information from wildfire decision support tools **to document decisions that had already been made?**

ModelUse3=1

☐

1 Never

ModelUse3=2

☐

2 Rarely

ModelUse3=3

☐

3 Sometimes

ModelUse3=4

☐

4 About half the time

ModelUse3=5

☐

5 Often

ModelUse3=6

☐

6 Almost always

ModelUse3=7

☐

7 Always

ModelUse4

In past experiences how often have you used information from wildfire decision support tools **to compare your intuition and model predictions as events progress?**

ModelUse4=1

☐

1 Never

ModelUse4=2

☐

2 Rarely

ModelUse4=3

☐

3 Sometimes

ModelUse4=4

☐

4 About half the time

ModelUse4=5

☐

5 Often

ModelUse4=6

☐

6 Almost always

ModelUse4=7

☐

7 Always

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BelowTrustIntro

For this next section, consider your role on incident management teams (e.g., ICT3, DIVS, etc.). The first set of questions have to do with what you think about **those with LESS authority than you within the fire chain of command** when it comes to wildfire management.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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BelowTrustIntro1

Consider your role on incident management teams (e.g., ICT3, DIVS, etc.). The following questions have to do with what you think about **those with LESS authority than you within the fire chain of command** when it comes to wildfire management.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

BelowAbil1

Those with less authority than me are **very capable of performing their jobs**.

BelowAbil1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowAbil1=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowAbil1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowAbil1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowAbil1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowAbil1=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowAbil1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowBenev1

Those with less authority **care about me**.

BelowBenev1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowBenev1=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowBenev1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowBenev1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowBenev1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowBenev1=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowBenev1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowInteg1

I **never have to wonder** whether those with less authority than me **will stick to their word**.

BelowInteg1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowInteg1=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowInteg1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowInteg1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowInteg1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowInteg1=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowInteg1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowTrust2

I **am willing to rely on the work-related judgments** of those with less authority than me.

BelowTrust2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowTrust2=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowTrust2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowTrust2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowTrust2=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowTrust2=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowTrust2=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowTrust4

I am **willing to discuss problems or difficulties that could potentially be used to disadvantage me** with those who have less authority.

BelowTrust4=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowTrust4=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowTrust4=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowTrust4=4

4. Neither agree nor disagree

☐ BelowTrust4=5

5. Somewhat agree

☐ BelowTrust4=6

6. Agree

☐ BelowTrust4=7

7. Strongly agree

BelowInteg3

Sound principles seem to guide the behavior of those with less authority than me.

☐ BelowInteg3=1

1. Strongly disagree

☐ BelowInteg3=2

2. Disagree

☐ BelowInteg3=3

3. Somewhat disagree

☐ BelowInteg3=4

4. Neither agree nor disagree

☐ BelowInteg3=5

5. Somewhat agree

☐ BelowInteg3=6

6. Agree

☐ BelowInteg3=7

7. Strongly agree

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BelowTrustIntroContd

Continuing to think about **those with LESS authority than you**, please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

BelowBenev3

Those with less authority will **go above and beyond to help me do my job**.

BelowBenev3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowBenev3=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowBenev3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowBenev3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowBenev3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowBenev3=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowBenev3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowAbil3

Those with less authority than me are **well qualified for their positions**.

BelowAbil3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowAbil3=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowAbil3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowAbil3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowAbil3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowAbil3=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowAbil3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowBenev2

My goals for the fire event are very important to those with less authority than me.

BelowBenev2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowBenev2=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowBenev2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowBenev2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowBenev2=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowBenev2=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowBenev2=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowAbil2

Those with less authority than me have a lot of **knowledge about how to respond to fire** under a variety of conditions and circumstances.

BelowAbil2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowAbil2=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowAbil2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowAbil2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowAbil2=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowAbil2=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowAbil2=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowInteg2

I **hold similar values** to those with less authority than me.

BelowInteg2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowInteg2=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowInteg2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowInteg2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowInteg2=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowInteg2=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowInteg2=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowTrust1

I can rely on those with less authority **to back me up in difficult situations.**

BelowTrust1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowTrust1=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowTrust1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowTrust1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowTrust1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowTrust1=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowTrust1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

BelowTrust3

I can discuss how I honestly feel about work, **even negative feelings and frustration**, with those who have less authority than me.

BelowTrust3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

BelowTrust3=2

☐

2. Disagree

BelowTrust3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

BelowTrust3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

BelowTrust3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

BelowTrust3=6

☐

6. Agree

BelowTrust3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

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AboveTrustIntro

Continuing to think about your role on incident management teams (e.g., ICT3, DIVS, etc.), now think about **those with MORE authority than you within the fire chain of command** when it comes to wildfire management.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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AboveTrustIntro1

Continuing to think about your role on incident management teams (e.g., ICT3, DIVS, etc.), now think about **those with MORE authority than you within the fire chain of command** when it comes to wildfire management.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

AboveAbil1

Those with more authority than me are **very capable of performing their jobs**.

AboveAbil1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveAbil1=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveAbil1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveAbil1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveAbil1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveAbil1=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveAbil1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveAbil3

Those with more authority than me are **well qualified for their positions**.

AboveAbil3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveAbil3=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveAbil3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveAbil3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveAbil3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveAbil3=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveAbil3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveInteg3

Sound principles seem to guide the behavior of those with more authority than me.

AboveInteg3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveInteg3=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveInteg3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveInteg3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveInteg3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveInteg3=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveInteg3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveTrust4

I am **willing to discuss problems or difficulties that could potentially be used to disadvantage me** with those who have more authority.

AboveTrust4=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveTrust4=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveTrust4=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveTrust4=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveTrust4=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveTrust4=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveTrust4=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveBenev2

My goals for the fire event are very important to those with more authority than me.

AboveBenev2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveBenev2=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveBenev2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveBenev2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

☐ AboveBenev2=5

5. Somewhat agree

☐ AboveBenev2=6

6. Agree

☐ AboveBenev2=7

7. Strongly agree

AboveInteg2

I **hold similar values** to those with more authority than me.

☐ AboveInteg2=1

1. Strongly disagree

☐ AboveInteg2=2

2. Disagree

☐ AboveInteg2=3

3. Somewhat disagree

☐ AboveInteg2=4

4. Neither agree nor disagree

☐ AboveInteg2=5

5. Somewhat agree

☐ AboveInteg2=6

6. Agree

☐ AboveInteg2=7

7. Strongly agree

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AboveTrustIntroContd

Continuing to think about **those with MORE authority than you**, please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

AboveBenev1

Those with more authority **care about me**.

AboveBenev1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveBenev1=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveBenev1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveBenev1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveBenev1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveBenev1=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveBenev1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveInteg1

I never have to wonder whether those with more authority than me **will stick to their word**.

AboveInteg1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveInteg1=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveInteg1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveInteg1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveInteg1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveInteg1=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveInteg1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveAbil2

Those with more authority than me have a lot of **knowledge about how to respond to fire**

under a variety of conditions and circumstances.

AboveAbil2=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveAbil2=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveAbil2=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveAbil2=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveAbil2=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveAbil2=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveAbil2=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveTrust1

I can rely on those with more authority **to back me up in difficult situations.**

AboveTrust1=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveTrust1=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveTrust1=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveTrust1=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

AboveTrust1=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

AboveTrust1=6

☐

6. Agree

AboveTrust1=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

AboveBenev3

Those with more authority will **go above and beyond to help me do my job.**

AboveBenev3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

AboveBenev3=2

☐

2. Disagree

AboveBenev3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

AboveBenev3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

- ☐ AboveBenev3=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ AboveBenev3=6 6. Agree
- ☐ AboveBenev3=7 7. Strongly agree

AboveTrust2

I am willing to rely on the work-related judgments of those with more authority than me.

- ☐ AboveTrust2=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=6 6. Agree
- ☐ AboveTrust2=7 7. Strongly agree

AboveTrust3

I can discuss how I honestly feel about work, **even negative feelings and frustration**, with those who have more authority than me.

- ☐ AboveTrust3=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=6 6. Agree
- ☐ AboveTrust3=7 7. Strongly agree

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RiskTakingIntro

The following questions have to do with your approach to fire management. We are going to ask you about **innovative fire management strategies**. In this case, **innovative strategies are those that may have a greater chance of failure than tried-and-true strategies, but if they succeed, the rewards and benefits could be even greater.**

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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RiskTakingIntro1

The following questions have to do with your approach to fire management. We are going to ask you about **innovative fire management strategies**. In this case, **innovative strategies are those that may have a greater chance of failure than tried-and-true strategies, but if they succeed, the rewards and benefits could be even greater.**

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

RiskSeeking1

When it comes to fire management, I prefer strategies perceived by many as risky.

- ☐ RiskSeeking1=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=6 6. Agree
- ☐ RiskSeeking1=7 7. Strongly agree

RiskAverse1

When it comes to fire management, I avoid strategies perceived by many as risky.

- ☐ RiskAverse1=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=6 6. Agree
- ☐ RiskAverse1=7 7. Strongly agree

RiskAverse2

I feel most comfortable relying on tried-and-true fire management strategies.

- ☐ RiskAverse2=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=6 6. Agree
- ☐ RiskAverse2=7 7. Strongly agree

RiskSeeking2

I am willing to try innovative fire management strategies.

- ☐ RiskSeeking2=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=5 5. Somewhat agree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=6 6. Agree
- ☐ RiskSeeking2=7 7. Strongly agree

RiskAverse3

I prefer tried-and-true strategies over innovative fire management strategies.

- ☐ RiskAverse3=1 1. Strongly disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse3=2 2. Disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse3=3 3. Somewhat disagree
- ☐ RiskAverse3=4 4. Neither agree nor disagree

RiskAverse3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

RiskAverse3=6

☐

6. Agree

RiskAverse3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

RiskAverse4

When in doubt, tried-and-true fire management strategies are the best option.

RiskAverse4=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

RiskAverse4=2

☐

2. Disagree

RiskAverse4=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

RiskAverse4=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

RiskAverse4=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

RiskAverse4=6

☐

6. Agree

RiskAverse4=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

RiskSeeking3

I try to explore innovative strategies for fire management.

RiskSeeking3=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

RiskSeeking3=2

☐

2. Disagree

RiskSeeking3=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

RiskSeeking3=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

RiskSeeking3=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

RiskSeeking3=6

☐

6. Agree

RiskSeeking3=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

RiskSeeking4

I am willing to try fire management strategies that I know are risky but have the potential to pay off.

RiskSeeking4=1

☐

1. Strongly disagree

RiskSeeking4=2

☐

2. Disagree

RiskSeeking4=3

☐

3. Somewhat disagree

RiskSeeking4=4

☐

4. Neither agree nor disagree

RiskSeeking4=5

☐

5. Somewhat agree

RiskSeeking4=6

☐

6. Agree

RiskSeeking4=7

☐

7. Strongly agree

TriedandTrueOpen

Please briefly provide examples of what you consider tried-and-true fire management strategies in your position.

InnovativeOpen

Please briefly provide examples of what you consider innovative fire management strategies in your position.

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DemoIntro1

Thank you for your responses.

In this final section you will be asked to respond to several questions that will help us learn more about you and your job responsibilities. Please indicate your response by checking the appropriate box or filling in the appropriate response below each question.

FireJobTitle

What is the title of the position that you currently hold related to wildfire management? If you hold multiple titles, please select the title you serve as most often.

FireJobTitle=1

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Division supervisor (DIVS)

FireJobTitle=2

☐

Type 3 Incident Commander (ICT3)

FireJobTitle=3

☐

Type 2 Incident Commander (ICT2)

FireJobTitle=4

☐

Type 1 Incident Commander (ICT1)

FireJobTitle=5

☐

Operations Section Chief

FireJobTitle=6

☐

Technical specialist (FBAN, LTAN, GSAN, etc.)

FireJobTitle=7

☐

FireJobTitle_7_other

Other

YearsPosition

How many years have you been in the position you selected?

If you have been in this position less than a year, please answer "1".

YearsFire

How many years in total have you been involved in wildfire management in any capacity?

If you have been in this position less than a year, please answer "1".

AllFireJobs

Which of the following positions have you held where you were actively involved in wildfire management? Please select all that apply.

AllFireJobs_1

☐

Firefighter (e.g., hotshot member, pilot, smokejumper, etc.)

AllFireJobs_2

☐

Technical specialist (e.g., FBAN, LTAN, GSAN, etc.)

- ☐ AllFireJobs_3 Division Supervisor
- ☐ AllFireJobs_4 Operations Section Chief
- ☐ AllFireJobs_5 Planning Section Chief
- ☐ AllFireJobs_6 Incident Commander Type 3
- ☐ AllFireJobs_7 Incident Commander Type 2
- ☐ AllFireJobs_8 Incident Commander Type 1
- ☐ AllFireJobs_9 Line officer
- ☐ AllFireJobs_10 Duty officer
- ☐ AllFireJobs_11 District Ranger or Deputy District Ranger
- ☐ AllFireJobs_12 Forest Supervisor
- ☐ AllFireJobs_13 AllFireJobs_13_other Other
-

EduAttain1

What is your highest level of education completed?

- ☐ EduAttain1=1 Some high school
- ☐ EduAttain1=2 High school
- ☐ EduAttain1=3 Associate's degree
- ☐ EduAttain1=4 Bachelor's degree
- ☐ EduAttain1=5 Graduate degree (e.g., PhD, MS)
- ☐ EduAttain1=6 EduAttain1_6_other Other
-

CollegeField1

If you hold a college degree or higher, what was the disciplinary focus of your highest degree?

- ☐ CollegeField1=1 Biological sciences
- ☐ CollegeField1=2 Geology or soil science

CollegeField1=3

☐

Hydrology

CollegeField1=4

☐

Forestry/silviculture

CollegeField1=5

☐

Fire ecology/behavior

CollegeField1=6

☐

Natural resource administration/management

CollegeField1=7

☐

Geospatial Information Science (GIS)

CollegeField1=8

☐

CollegeField1_8_other Other

CollegeField1=9

☐

Not applicable

Gender1

What is your gender?

Gender1=1

☐

Female

Gender1=2

☐

Male

Gender1=3

☐

Other/prefer not to say

FollowUp

If you would be willing to answer follow-up questions and discuss your thoughts more with the research team please check this box.

FollowUp_1

☐

The research team may contact me via email for additional follow-up questions

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Terminate1

Your responses have been recorded. If you have any questions please contact
FireSurvey@osu.edu.
Thank you for taking our survey.